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## **VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Jocelyn G. Boyd Chief Clerk/Administrator **Public Service Commission of South Carolina** Post Office Drawer 11649 Columbia, SC 29211

Re: South Carolina Energy Freedom Act (House Bill 3659) Proceeding to Address S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-27-460(A)(1) and S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-27-460(A)(2) (Promulgation and Periodic Review of Standards for Interconnection and Parallel Operation of Generating Facilities to an Electrical Utility's Distribution and Transmission System)

Docket No. 2019-326-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

I am writing on behalf of Dominion Energy South Carolina, Inc. ("DESC"), Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC"), Duke Energy Progress, LLC ("DEP" and together with DEC, the "Duke Companies"), Carolinas Clean Energy Business Association ("CCEBA"), and Southern Current, LLC ("Southern Current"). DESC, the Duke Companies, CCEBA, and Southern Current are referred to collectively as the "Interested Parties." Pursuant to Order No. 2020-825 (the "Order") issued in this docket on December 16, 2020, the Interested Parties submit this progress report to the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the "Commission") on the status of stakeholder engagement under "Phase 2" of the interconnection-reform process in this docket.

In the most recent update submitted pursuant to the Order, the Interested Parties reported on May 28, 2021, that they expected the first stakeholder meeting under Phase 2 of the interconnection process to be held in late-July of this year and that the Interested Parties would update the Commission again on their progress by July 30, 2021.

The first stakeholder meeting under Phase 2 was held virtually via Webex on July 22, 2021. DESC and the Duke Companies presented, as did stakeholders representing the interests of utility-scale solar and smaller-scale solar (rooftop solar, for example). The

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Order requires the Interested Parties to submit such updates every sixty days. The Interested Parties submitted the first update to the Commission on March 31, 2021.

Interested Parties anticipate the next stakeholder meeting will be scheduled in September of this year. The Interested Parties will update the Commission again on their progress in sixty days (no later than September 28, 2021) in compliance with the Order.

Sincerely,

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cc: (Via Electronic Mail)
All Parties of Record